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### **Rice hemoglobins. Gene cloning, analysis, and O<sub>2</sub>-binding kinetics of a recombinant protein synthesized in *Escherichia coli*.**

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Although nonsymbiotic hemoglobins (Hbs) are found in different tissues of dicots and monocots, very little is known about hb genes in monocots and the function of Hbs in nonsymbiotic tissues. We report the cloning and analysis of two rice (*Oryza sativa* L.) hb genes, hb1 and hb2, that code for plant Hbs. Rice hb1 and hb2 genes contain four exons and three introns, as with all of the known plant hb genes. At least three copies of the hb gene were detected in rice DNA, and analysis of gene expression shows that hb1 and hb2 are expressed in leaves but only hb1 is expressed in roots. A cDNA for rice Hb1 was expressed in *Escherichia coli*, and the recombinant Hb (rHb1) shows an unusually high affinity for O<sub>2</sub> because of a very low dissociation constant. The absorbance spectra of the ferric and deoxyferrous rHb1 indicate that, in contrast to symbiotic Hbs, a distal ligand is coordinated to the ligand-binding site. Mutation of the distal His demonstrates that this residue coordinates the heme Fe of ferric and deoxyferrous rHb1 and stabilizes O<sub>2</sub> in oxy-rHb1. The biochemical properties of rice rHb1 suggest that this protein probably does not function to facilitate the diffusion of O<sub>2</sub>.

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in  
transgenic tobacco plants  
AU Landsmann, Jorg; Llewellyn, Danny; Dennis, Elizabeth S.; Peacock, W.  
James  
CS Div. Plant Ind., CSIRO, Canberra, USSR  
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TI Quaternary structure of rice **nonsymbiotic** hemoglobin.  
SO Journal of Biological Chemistry, (March 2, 2001) Vol. 276, No. 9, pp.  
6834-6839. print.  
ISSN: 0021-9258.  
AU Goodman, Matthew D.; Hargrove, Mark S. (1)  
AB Plant **nonsymbiotic hemoglobins** are hexacoordinate heme  
proteins found in all plants. Although expression is linked with hypoxic  
environmental conditions (Taylor, E. R., Nie, X. Z., Alexander, W. M.,  
and

Hill, R. D. (1994) Plant Mol. Biol. 24, 853-862), no discrete physiological function has yet been attributed to this family of proteins.

The crystal structure of a **nonsymbiotic** hemoglobin from rice has recently been determined. The crystalline protein is homodimeric and hexacoordinate with two histidine side chains coordinating the heme iron atom. Despite the fact that the amino acids responsible for the subunit interface are relatively conserved among the **nonsymbiotic hemoglobins**, previous work suggests that this group of proteins might display variability in quaternary structure (Duff, S. M. G., Wittenberg, J. B., and Hill, R. D. (1997) J. Biol. Chem. 272, 16746-16752;

Arredondo-Peter, R., Hargrove, M. S., Sarath, G., Moran, J. F., Lohrman, J., Olson, J. S., and Klucas, R. V. (1997) Plant Physiol. 115, 1259-1266).

Analytical ultracentrifugation and size exclusion high pressure liquid chromatography were used to investigate the quaternary structure of rice **nonsymbiotic** hemoglobin at various states of ligation and oxidation. Additionally, site-directed mutagenesis was used to test the role of several interface amino acids in dimer formation and ligand binding. Results were analyzed in light of possible physiological functions and indicate that the plant **nonsymbiotic hemoglobins** are not oxygen transport proteins but more closely resemble known oxygen sensors.

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TI A model for ligand binding to hexacoordinate **hemoglobins**.

SO Biochemistry, (May 22, 2001) Vol. 40, No. 20, pp. 6155-6163. print. ISSN: 0006-2960.

AU Trent, James T., III; Hvitved, Angela N.; Hargrove, Mark S. (1)

AB Hexacoordinate **hemoglobins** are heme proteins capable of reversible intramolecular coordination of the ligand binding site by an amino acid side chain from within the heme pocket. Examples of these proteins are found in many living organisms ranging from prokaryotes to humans. The **nonsymbiotic hemoglobins** (nsHbs) are a class of hexacoordinate heme proteins present in all plants. The nsHb

from

rice (rHb1) has been used as a model system to develop methods for determining rate constants characterizing binding and dissociation of the His residue responsible for hexacoordination. Measurement of these reactions exploits laser flash photolysis to initiate the reaction from the unligated, pentacoordinate form of the heme protein. A model for ligand binding is presented that incorporates the reaction following

rapid

mixing with the reaction starting from the pentacoordinate hemoglobin (Hb). This model is based on results indicating that ligand binding to hexacoordinate Hbs is not a simple combination of competing first order (hexacoordination) and second order (exogenous ligand binding) reactions. Ligand binding following rapid mixing is a multiphasic reaction

displaying

time courses ranging from milliseconds to minutes. The new model incorporates a "closed", slow reacting form of the protein that is not at rapid equilibrium with the reactive conformation. It is also demonstrated that formation of the closed protein species is not dependent on hexacoordination.

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TI A model for ligand binding to hexacoordinate **hemoglobins**.

SO Biophysical Journal, (January, 2001) Vol. 80, No. 1 Part 2, pp. 311a. print.

- Meeting Info.: 45th Annual Meeting of the Biophysical Society Boston, Massachusetts, USA February 17-21, 2001 Biophysical Society  
 . ISSN: 0006-3495.
- AU Trent, James Thomas, III (1); Hvitved, Angela N. (1); Hargrove, Mark S. (1)
- L7 ANSWER 4 OF 22 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2002 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC.DUPLICATE 3
- TI **Nonsymbiotic hemoglobins** in rice are synthesized during germination and in differentiating cell types.
- SO Protoplasma, (2001) Vol. 218, No. 3-4, pp. 125-133. print. ISSN: 0033-183X.
- AU Ross, E. J. H.; Shearman, L.; Mathiesen, M.; Zhou, Y. J.; Arredondo-Peter, R.; Sarath, G. (1); Klucas, R. V.
- AB **Nonsymbiotic hemoglobins** (ns-Hbs) previously have been found in monocots and dicots; however, very little is known about the tissue and cell type localization as well as the physiological function(s) of these oxygen-binding proteins. We report the immunodetection and immunolocalization of ns-Hbs in rice (*Oryza sativa* L.) by Western blotting and in situ confocal laser scanning techniques. Ns-Hbs were detected in soluble extracts of different tissues from the developing rice seedling by immunoblotting. Levels of ns-Hbs increased in the germinating seed for the first six days following inhibition and remained relatively constant thereafter. In contrast, ns-Hb levels decreased during leaf maturation. Roots and mesocotyls contained detectable, but low levels of ns-Hbs. Split-seed experiments revealed that ns-Hbs are synthesized de novo during seed germination and are expressed in the absence of any signal originating from the embryo. Immunolocalization of ns-Hbs by confocal microscopy indicated the presence of ns-Hbs primarily in differentiated and differentiating cell types of the developing seedling, such as the aleurone, scutellum, root cap cells, sclerenchyma, and tracheary elements. To our knowledge, this is the first report of the specific cellular localization of these proteins during seedling development.
- L7 ANSWER 5 OF 22 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS
- TI **Nonsymbiotic plant hemoglobins** to maintain cell energy status in transgenic systems
- SO PCT Int. Appl., 44 pp. CODEN: PIXXD2
- IN Guy, Phillip; Duff, Stephen; Xianzhou, Nie; Hill, Robert; Durnin, Douglas; Sowa, Aleksander
- AB **Nonsymbiotic Hbs** are broadly present across evolution; however, the function of these proteins is unknown. Cultured maize cells have been transformed to constitutively express a barley Hb gene in either the sense (HB+) or antisense (HB-) orientation. Hb protein in the transformed cell lines was correspondingly higher or lower than in wild type cells under normal atm. conditions. Limiting oxygen availability, by placing the cells in a nitrogen atm. for 12 h, had little effect on the energy status of cells constitutively expressing Hb, but had a pronounced effect on both wild type and HB- cells, where ATP levels declined by 27% and 61%, resp. Energy charge was relatively unaffected by the treatment

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suggesting that the latter were incapable of maintaining their energy status under the low oxygen regime. Similar results were obsd. with *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* cells transformed with an Hb expression vector.

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is suggested that **nonsymbiotic Hbs** act to maintain the energy status of cells in low oxygen environments and that they

accomplish

this effect by promoting glycolytic flux through NADH oxidn., resulting

in

increased substrate level phosphorylation. **Nonsymbiotic**

**Hbs** are likely ancestors of an early form of Hb that sequestered oxygen in low oxygen environments, providing a source of oxygen to

oxidize

NADH to provide ATP for cell growth and development. This in turn suggests that cells contg. increased levels of Hb protein will survive longer under low oxygen tension or high energy demand. Applications of transgenic Hb in improving agronomic properties of plants and in organ transplants are provided.

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TI A flash photolysis method to characterize hexacoordinate hemoglobin kinetics.

SO Biophysical Journal, (November, 2000) Vol. 79, No. 5, pp. 2733-2738.  
print.

ISSN: 0006-3495.

AU Hargrove, Mark S. (1)

AB A flash photolysis method is described for analyzing ligand binding to  
the

new and growing group of **hemoglobins** which are hexacoordinate in the unligated, ferrous state. Simple analysis of a two exponential fit to time courses for CO rebinding at varying CO concentrations yields rate constants for formation and dissociation of the hexacoordinate complex, and the bimolecular rate constant for CO binding. This method was tested with a **nonsymbiotic** plant hemoglobin from rice for which these values had not previously been determined. For this protein, dissociation and rebinding of the hexacoordinating amino acid side chain, His73, is rapid and similar to the rate of CO binding at high CO concentrations. These results indicate that hexacoordination must be taken into account when evaluating the affinity of hexacoordinate **hemoglobins** for ligands.

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TI Crystal structure of a **nonsymbiotic** plant hemoglobin.

SO Structure (London), (15 September, 2000) Vol. 8, No. 9, pp. 1005-1014.  
print.

ISSN: 0969-2126.

AU Hargrove, Mark S. (1); Brucker, Eric Allen; Stec, Boguslaw; Sarath, Gautam; Arredondo-Peter, Raul; Klucas, Robert V.; Olson, John S.; Phillips, George N., Jr.

AB Background: **Nonsymbiotic hemoglobins** (nsHbs) form a new class of plant proteins that is distinct genetically and structurally from leghemoglobins. They are found ubiquitously in plants and are expressed in low concentrations in a variety of tissues including roots and leaves. Their function involves a biochemical response to growth

under

limited O<sub>2</sub> conditions. Results: The first X-ray crystal structure of a member of this class of proteins, riceHb1, has been determined to 2.4 Å

resolution using a combination of phasing techniques. The active site of ferric riceHb1 differs significantly from those of traditional **hemoglobins** and myoglobins. The proximal and distal histidine sidechains coordinate directly to the heme iron, forming a hemichrome with spectral properties similar to those of cytochrome b5. The crystal structure also shows that riceHb1 is a dimer with a novel interface formed by close contacts between the G helix and the region between the B and C helices of the partner subunit. Conclusions: The bis-histidyl heme coordination found in riceHb1 is unusual for a protein that binds O2 reversibly. However, the distal His73 is rapidly displaced by ferrous ligands, and the overall O2 affinity is ultra-high (KD approx 1 nM). Our crystallographic model suggests that ligand binding occurs by an upward and outward movement of the E helix, concomitant dissociation of the distal histidine, possible repacking of the CD corner and folding of the helix. Although the functional relevance of quaternary structure in nsHbs is unclear, the role of two conserved residues in stabilizing the dimer interface has been identified.

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 TI Quaternary structure of **nonsymbiotic** plant hemoglobin.  
 SO Biophysical Journal., (Jan., 2000) Vol. 78, No. 1 Part 2, pp. 166A.  
 Meeting Info.: 44th Annual Meeting of the Biophysical Society. New Orleans, Louisiana, USA February 12-16, 2000  
 ISSN: 0006-3495.  
 AU Goodman, Matthew D.; Fulton, D. B.; Hargrove, Mark S.

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 TI Nuclear localization of a hypoxia-inducible novel non-symbiotic hemoglobin  
 in cultured alfalfa cells  
 SO FEBS Lett. (2000), 482(1,2), 125-130  
 CODEN: FEBLAL; ISSN: 0014-5793  
 AU Seregelyes, C.; Mustardy, L.; Ayaydin, F.; Sass, L.; Kovacs, L.; Endre, G.; Lukacs, N.; Kovacs, I.; Vass, I.; Kiss, G. B.; Horvath, G. V.; Dudits, D.  
 AB We have isolated a 483-bp-long full-length cDNA clone encoding a non-symbiotic Hb called Mhbl, the first one found in alfalfa. This non-symbiotic Hb is a single copy gene localized in linkage group 4 in diploid Medicago genome. The Mhbl mRNA was found only in the roots of alfalfa plants. The Mhbl gene was inducible by hypoxia and showed no induction by cold stress treatment. The Mhbl transcript level increased at the G2/M boundary in a synchronized alfalfa cell suspension culture. The majority of Mhbl protein was shown to be localized in the nucleus and smaller amts. were detected in the cytoplasm. A potential link to the nitric oxide signalling pathway is also discussed.

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 TI **Nonsymbiotic haemoglobins** in plants.  
 SO Acta Biochimica Polonica, (1999) Vol. 46, No. 2, pp. 431-445.  
 ISSN: 0001-527X.  
 AU Sowa, Aleksander W. (1); Guy, Phillip A.; Sowa, Slawomir; Hill, Robert D.  
 AB General aspects regarding the presence of **nonsymbiotic haemoglobin** in plants are presented with the emphasis on those related to its function. As it becomes apparent that the **nonsymbiotic haemoglobins** are widespread across the



plant kingdom and that they represent a more primitive and evolutionary older form of the plant globin genes, the question of their function becomes more attractive. While the physiological functions of the symbiotic **haemoglobins** in plants are well understood, almost nothing is known about their **nonsymbiotic** predecessors. Therefore, the known and hypothetical functions of **haemoglobins** in various systems are described along with information concerning properties and the regulation of expression of the **nonsymbiotic haemoglobins**. Interestingly, a number of **nonsymbiotic haemoglobins** have been shown to be hypoxia-inducible. The spatial and temporal pattern of this induction in barley may suggest that it is

an integral part of the plants response to limiting oxygen stress.

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TI Physiological studies on a **nonsymbiotic** plant hemoglobin in a transgenic maize cell system  
SO (1998) 223 pp. Avail.: UMI, Order No. DANQ32462  
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AU Sowa, Aleksander Wladyslaw  
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TI Altering hemoglobin levels changes energy status in maize cells under hypoxia.  
SO Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America, (Aug. 18, 1998) Vol. 95, No. 17, pp. 10317-10321.  
ISSN: 0027-8424.  
AU Sowa, Aleksander W.; Duff, Stephen M. G.; Guy, Phillip A.; Hill, Robert D.  
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AB **Nonsymbiotic hemoglobins** are broadly present across the plant kingdom; however, the function of these proteins is unknown. Cultured maize cells have been transformed to constitutively express a barley hemoglobin gene in either the sense (HB+) or antisense (HB-) orientation. Hemoglobin protein in the transformed cell lines correspondingly was higher or lower than in wild-type cells under normal atmospheric conditions. Limiting oxygen availability, by placing the cells in a nitrogen atmosphere for 12 hr, had little effect on the energy status of cells constitutively expressing hemoglobin, but had a pronounced effect on both wild-type and HB- cells, where ATP levels declined by 27% and 61%, respectively, Total adenylates in these cells were approximately 35% lower than in HB+ cells. Energy charge was relatively unaffected by the treatment in HB+ and wild-type cells, but was reduced from 0.91 to 0.73 in HB- cells, suggesting that the latter were incapable of maintaining their energy status under the low oxygen regime. Treatment of the cells grown in an air atmosphere with antimycin A gave essentially the same results. It is suggested that **nonsymbiotic hemoglobins** act in plants to maintain the energy status of cells in low oxygen environments and that they accomplish this effect by promoting glycolytic flux through NADH oxidation, resulting in increased substrate-level phosphorylation. Hypoxic acclimation of plants is an example of this effect in nature.

**Nonsymbiotic hemoglobins** are likely ancestors of an early form of hemoglobin that sequestered oxygen in low oxygen environments, providing a source of oxygen to oxidize NADH to provide ATP for cell growth and development.

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TI Plant **hemoglobins**.

SO Plant Physiology (Rockville), (Dec., 1998) Vol. 118, No. 4, pp. 1121-1125.

ISSN: 0032-0889.

AU Arredondo-Peter, Raul; Hargrove, Mark S.; Moran, Jose F.; Sarath, Gautam; Klucas, Robert V. (1)

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TI Soybean (lbc3), Parasponia, and Trema hemoglobin gene promoters retain symbiotic and **nonsymbiotic** specificity in transgenic Casuarinaceae: implications for hemoglobin gene evolution and root nodule symbioses

SO Mol. Plant-Microbe Interact. (1998), 11(9), 887-894

CODEN: MPMIEL; ISSN: 0894-0282

AU Franche, Claudine; Diouf, Diaga; Laplaze, Laurent; Auguy, Florence; Frutz,

Thierry; Rio, Maryannick; Duhoux, Emile; Bogusz, Didier

AB Control of the expression of legume and nonlegume Hb genes was investigated. The Casuarina glauca and Allocasuarina verticillata transformation system was used to examine the properties of the soybean (lbc3), Parasponia andersonii, and Trema tomentosa Hb gene promoters in actinorhizal plants. Expression of the Hb promoters gus genes was examd. by fluorometric and histochem. assays. The fluorometric assays in various

organs showed that the soybean and P. andersonii promoters were most active in nodules, whereas the T. tomentosa promoter gave a very high activity in roots. The histochem. study showed that GUS activity

directed

by the soybean and the P. andersonii gus chimeric genes appeared mainly confined to the infected cells of the C. glauca and A. verticillata nodules. The T. tomentosa Hb promoter was primarily expressed in the root's cortex and vascular tissue. The results indicate that the

soybean,

P. andersonii, and T. tomentosa Hb promoters retain their cell-specific expression in transgenic members of the Casuarinaceae, suggesting a close relationship between legume, Ulmaceae member, and actinorhizal Hb genes. The conservation of the mechanism for nodule-specific expression of soybean, P. andersonii, and C. glauca and A. verticillata Hb genes is discussed in view of recent mol. phylogenetic data that suggest a single origin for the predisposition to form root nodule symbioses.

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TI A **nonsymbiotic** hemoglobin gene is expressed during somatic embryogenesis in Cichorium.

SO BIOCHIMICA ET BIOPHYSICA ACTA, (1998 Nov 26) 1443 (1-2) 193-7.  
Journal code: AOW; 0217513. ISSN: 0006-3002.

AU Hendriks T; Scheer I; Quillet M C; Randoux B; Delbreil B; Vasseur J; Hilbert J L

AB After differential screening of a cDNA library corresponding to genes expressed during the early stages of somatic embryogenesis in leaf tissue from the Cichorium hybrid '474' (C. intybus L., var. sativumxC. endivia L., var. latifolia) a **nonsymbiotic** hemoglobin cDNA was obtained. Studies of the expression of the gene corresponding to this clone by

Northern blot analysis suggest that in *Cichorium* a **nonsymbiotic** hemoglobin gene is specifically expressed under somatic embryogenesis-inducing conditions, and that its expression is not related to stress caused by wounding or tissue culture conditions.

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TI Two hemoglobin genes in *Arabidopsis thaliana*: The evolutionary origins of leghemoglobins.

SO Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America, (Oct. 28, 1997) Vol. 94, No. 22, pp. 12230-12234.  
ISSN: 0027-8424.

AU Trevaskis, Ben; Watts, Richard A.; Andersson, Carol R.; Llewellyn, Danny L.; Hargrove, Mark S.; Olson, John S.; Dennis, Elizabeth S. (1); Peacock, W. James

AB We cloned two hemoglobin genes from *Arabidopsis thaliana*. One gene, AHB1, is related in sequence to the family of **nonsymbiotic** hemoglobin genes previously identified in a number of plant species (class 1). The second hemoglobin gene, AHB2, represents a class of **nonsymbiotic** hemoglobin (class 2) related in sequence to the symbiotic hemoglobin

genes

of legumes and Casuarina. The properties of these two **hemoglobins** suggest that the two families of **nonsymbiotic hemoglobins** may differ in function from each other and from the symbiotic **hemoglobins**. AHB1 is induced, in both roots and rosette leaves, by low oxygen levels. Recombinant AHB1 has an oxygen affinity so high as to make it unlikely to function as an oxygen transporter. AHB2 is expressed at a low level in rosette leaves and is

low

temperature-inducible. AHB2 protein has a lower affinity for oxygen than AHB1 but is similar to AHB1 in having an unusually low, pH-sensitive oxygen off-rate.

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TI Rice **hemoglobins**. Gene cloning, analysis, and O<sub>2</sub>-binding kinetics of a recombinant protein synthesized in *Escherichia coli*.

SO Plant Physiology (Rockville), (Nov., 1997) Vol. 115, No. 3, pp. 1259-1266.

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AU Arredondo-Peter, Raul (1); Hargrove, Mark S.; Sarath, Gautam; Moran, Jose F.; Lohrman, Joseph; Olson, John S.; Klucas, Robert V.

AB Although **nonsymbiotic hemoglobins** (Hbs) are found in different tissues of dicots and monocots, very-little is known about hb genes in monocots and the function of Hbs in **nonsymbiotic** tissues. We report the cloning and analysis of two rice (*Oryza sativa* L.) hb genes, hb1 and hb2, that code for plant Hbs. Rice hb1 and hb2 genes contain four exons and three introns, as with all of the known plant hb genes. At least three copies of the hb gene were detected in rice DNA,

and

analysis of gene expression shows that hb1 and hb2 are expressed in leaves

but only hb1 is expressed in roots. A cDNA for rice Hb1 was expressed in *Escherichia coli*, and the recombinant Hb (rHb1) shows an unusually high affinity for O<sub>2</sub> because of a very low dissociation constant. The absorbance spectra of the ferric and deoxyferrous rHb1 indicate that, in contrast to symbiotic Hbs, a distal ligand is coordinated to the ligand-binding site. Mutation of the distal His demonstrates that this residue coordinates the heme Fe of ferric and deoxyferrous rHb1 and

stabilizes O<sub>2</sub> in oxy-rhbl. The biochemical properties of rice rHb1 suggest that this protein probably does not function to facilitate the diffusion of O<sub>2</sub>.

- L7 ANSWER 18 OF 22 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 12
- TI Cell-specific expression of the promoters of two nonlegume hemoglobin genes in a transgenic legume, *Lotus corniculatus*.
- SO PLANT PHYSIOLOGY, (1997 Jan) 113 (1) 45-57.  
Journal code: P98; 0401224. ISSN: 0032-0889.
- AU Andersson C R; Llewellyn D J; Peacock W J; Dennis E S
- AB The promoters of the hemoglobin genes from the nitrogen-fixing tree *Parasponia andersonii* and the related nonnitrogen-fixing *Trema tomentosa* both confer beta-glucuronidase reporter gene expression to the central zone of the nodules of a transgenic legume, *Lotus corniculatus*. beta-Glucuronidase expression was high in the uninfected interstitial cells and parenchyma of the surrounding boundary layer and was low in the *Rhizobium*-infected cells. This contrasts with the expression of both the *P. andersonii* hemoglobin protein in *P. andersonii* nodules and the endogenous *Lotus* leghemoglobins that are expressed in the infected cells at very high levels. The expression pattern of the *P. andersonii* and *T. tomentosa* hemoglobin promoters in *L. corniculatus* resembles that of a **nonsymbiotic** hemoglobin gene from *Casuarina glauca*, which was introduced into this legume, and suggests that only the **nonsymbiotic** functions of the *P. andersonii* promoter are being recognized. Deletion of the distal segments of both the *P. andersonii* and *T. tomentosa* promoters identified regions important for the control of their tissue-specific and temporal activity in *Lotus*. Potential regulatory elements, which enhance nodule expression and suppress nonnodule expression, were also identified and localized to a distal promoter segment. A proximal AAGAG motif is present in the *P. andersonii*, *T. tomentosa*, and **nonsymbiotic** *Casuarina* hemoglobin genes. Mutation of this motif in the *P. andersonii* promoter resulted in a significant reduction in both the nodule and root expression levels in *L. corniculatus*. Some of the regulatory motifs characterized are similar to, but different from, the nodulin motifs of the leghemoglobins.
- L7 ANSWER 19 OF 22 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2002 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC.DUPLICATE 13
- TI A new hemoglobin gene from soybean: A role for hemoglobin in all plants.
- SO Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America, (1996) Vol. 93, No. 12, pp. 5682-5687.  
ISSN: 0027-8424.
- AU Andersson, Carol R.; Jensen, Erik Ostergaard; Llewellyn, Danny J.; Dennis, Elizabeth S.; Peacock, W. James (1)
- AB We have isolated a new hemoglobin gene from soybean. It is expressed in cotyledons, stems of seedlings, roots, young leaves, and in some cells in the nodules that are associated with the nitrogen-fixing *Bradyrhizobium* symbiont. This contrasts with the expression of the leghemoglobins, which are active only in the infected cells of the nodules. The deduced protein sequence of the new gene shows only 58% similarity to one of the soybean leghemoglobins, but 85-87% similarity to **hemoglobins** from the nonlegumes *Parasponia*, *Casuarina*, and barley. The pattern of expression and the gene sequence indicate that this new gene is a **nonsymbiotic** legume hemoglobin. The finding of this gene in legumes and similar genes in other species strengthens our previous suggestion that genomes of all plants contain hemoglobin genes. The specialized leghemoglobin gene family may have arisen from a preexisting

**nonsymbiotic** hemoglobin by gene duplication.

- L7 ANSWER 20 OF 22 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 14  
TI Symbiotic and **nonsymbiotic** hemoglobin genes of *Casuarina glauca*.  
SO PLANT CELL, (1995 Feb) 7 (2) 213-23.  
Journal code: BJU; 9208688. ISSN: 1040-4651.  
AU Jacobsen-Lyon K; Jensen E O; Jorgensen J E; Marcker K A; Peacock W J; Dennis E S  
AB *Casuarina glauca* has a gene encoding hemoglobin (cashb-nonsym). This gene is expressed in a number of plant tissues. *Casuarina* also has a second family of hemoglobin genes (cashb-sym) expressed at a high level in the nodules that *Casuarina* forms in a nitrogen-fixing symbiosis with the actinomycete *Frankia*. Both the **nonsymbiotic** and symbiotic genes retained their specific patterns of expression when introduced into the legume *Lotus corniculatus*. We interpret this finding to mean that the controls of expression of the symbiotic gene in *Casuarina* must be similar to the controls of expression of the leghemoglobin genes that operate in nodules formed during the interaction between rhizobia and legumes. Deletion analyses of the promoters of the *Casuarina* symbiotic genes delineated a region that contains nodulin motifs identified in legumes; this region is critical for the controlled expression of the *Casuarina* gene. The finding that the **nonsymbiotic** *Casuarina* gene is also correctly expressed in *L. corniculatus* suggests to us that a comparable non-symbiotic hemoglobin gene will be found in legume species.
- L7 ANSWER 21 OF 22 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
TI Organ regulated expression of the *Parasponia andersonii* hemoglobin gene in transgenic tobacco plants  
SO MGG, Mol. Gen. Genet. (1988), 214(1), 68-73  
CODEN: MGGEAE; ISSN: 0026-8925  
AU Landsmann, Jorg; Llewellyn, Danny; Dennis, Elizabeth S.; Peacock, W. James  
AB Plant Hb genes are known to occur in legume and non-legume families and in both nodulating (e.g. *P. andersonii*) and non-nodulating species (e.g. *Trema tomentosa*). Their presence in non-nodulating plants raises the possibility that Hb might serve a function in non-symbiotic tissues distinct from their role in the nitrogen-fixing root nodules induced by micro-organisms. A *P. andersonii* Hb promoter was capable of expression of either the *P. andersonii* Hb gene, or a hybrid construct with the bacterial chloramphenicol acetyltransferase gene (cat), in the **nonsymbiotic** plant, *Nicotiana tabacum*. Expression is predominantly in the roots, implying that Hb might have a function in roots of non-nodulated plants. A low level of Hb protein was also obsd. in non-nodulated *P. andersonii* roots, but not leaves, supporting this assertion. The expression in transgenic plants will allow further characterization of the promoter sequences essential for the organ-specific expression of **Hbs** in non-symbiotic tissues.
- L7 ANSWER 22 OF 22 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
TI Common evolutionary origin of legume and non-legume plant **hemoglobins**  
SO Nature (London) (1986), 324(6093), 166-8  
CODEN: NATUAS; ISSN: 0028-0836  
AU Landsmann, Jorg; Dennis, Elizabeth S.; Higgins, Thomas J. V.; Appleby, Cyril A.; Kortt, Alexander A.; Peacock, W. James  
AB The detection of **Hbs** in distantly related nonlegume plant families as well as in the legume families raises the question of whether

the origin of the plant **Hbs** was single or multiple. A Hb gene was isolated from *Parasponia andersonii* (Ulmaceae) which shows >50% nucleotide sequence homol. with the Hb genes of legume plants and has 3 introns at identical positions to the legHb introns. The *Parasponia* gene has homol. to Hb gene in another distantly related nodulating plant, *Casuarina*. It also hybridizes at high stringency to sequences in a related, but nonnodulating genus, *Trema*. Thus, the globin gene family may be widespread in modern plants; plant **Hbs** may have a cryptic function in **nonsymbiotic** tissue and plant **Hbs** have evolved by vertical descent, probably from an ancestor common to modern plants and animals.

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